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A Blessed Conference!

As we write this article, the 51st OARBC Conference held at the Northfield Baptist Church, Northfield, Ohio, October 16, 17 and 18, is in its last day. It has been well attended. Lives here have been blessed, thrilled and challenged. The ministries of the different speakers were Spirit controlled.

Host pastor, Rev. Lynn Rogers, along with his able staff, made everyone feel very much at ease. The facilities of the Northfield Baptist Church were excellent. Their lovely new auditorium is a thing of beauty. At the evening services, it was filled to capacity. The noon meals served at the church helped solve the "finding a good place to eat" problem. The special music was of the best. Every business session moved along in a manner that was well pleasing to the Lord and honoring to His work.

A special tribute was presented to Earl and Sergie Umbaugh for their work as faithful servants in working along with our OARBC. A resolution was passed expressing the sincere thanks of all within our blessed fellowship. They were presented with a love gift - in the form of a check - amounting to \$10,000. Their ministries have been used of God to cause our fellowship to grow both numerically and spiritually.

At another service, a resolution was passed thanking God for the work and

ministry of the late Dr. Robert Thomas Ketcham. (These resolutions will appear, the Lord willing, in our December issue.)

Three new churches were received into our Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches. They are: the Lighthouse Baptist Church, Bucyrus, Ohio - Rev. Bill Wirt, Pastor; the Colonial Baptist Church, Medway, Ohio - Rev. Kevin Boggs, Pastor; and the Faith Baptist Church, Mount Vernon, Ohio - Rev. Merlyn E. Jones, Pastor.

The following men are no longer a part of our Council of 12. Their term expired with this conference. They are: Dr. William Brock, Columbus, Ohio; Rev. Larry Engle, Toledo, Ohio; Rev. William Russell, Millersburg, Ohio; and Rev. William Abernathy, Columbus, Ohio. Newly elected to fill the vacancies made by these men are: Rev. Max Deffenbaugh, Medina, Ohio; Rev. Dean Henry, Akron, Ohio; Rev. Willis Hull, Elyria, Ohio and Rev. Max Sidders, Portsmouth, Ohio.

Rev. Robert Barrett, Amherst, Ohio was elected Chairman of the new Council of 12. A listing of the Council members showing their respective positions on the Council appears on page 2 of this issue. Also, a new Women's Page editor has been selected. She is Mrs. David (Marcia) Elmore of Coshocton, Ohio.

The Lord willing our 52nd OARBC Conference will be held October 15, 16 and 17 - 1979 in the Calvary Baptist Church, Byesville, Ohio - Rev. Kenneth Pugh, Pastor. PLAN ON ATTENDING!!

Now Pastoring Emmanuel Baptist



Dr. Ernest Pickering

On Wednesday evening, August 16, 1978, a nearly unanimous call was given to Dr. Ernest Pickering, President of Baptist Bible College of Pennsylvania to become the pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church. Following the announcement of Dr. Pickering's call, Mr. Charles Kuivinen, chairman of the board of deacons of the local church, asked the congregation to join in singing the Doxology. Sunday, August 20, 1978, Dr. Pickering flew to

Toledo and personally in a special announcement that day.

Born in Florida, Dr. Pickering received his undergraduate training at Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina and holds the doctorate of theology from Dallas Theological Seminary, Dallas, Texas. He has served pastorates in New Kensington, Pennsylvania, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Kokomo, Indiana. For several years he was Dean of Central Baptist Seminary in Minneapolis. Prior to coming to Toledo he served for nine years as president of Baptist Bible College and School of Theology in Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania.

He is a member of the Council of Eighteen, the national executive body of the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches. He also serves on the board of the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism, a world-wide missionary agency. He has ministered widely in the United States and Canada as well as in several other countries.

An author, Dr. Pickering has written numerous booklets and books. He has also produced adult Sunday School literature for Regular Baptist Press. He is married with a son, Lloyd, who is a student at Emmanuel Baptist High School and a daughter who, with her husband, teaches in a Christian School in Elkhart, Indiana.

Dr. Pickering, his wife, Yvonne, and son, Lloyd, journeyed to Toledo on September 3 to minister the Word of God and to enroll their son in Emmanuel Baptist High School. On September 16, 1978, Dr. Pickering's belongings were moved into the recently renovated parsonage at 4121 W. Laskey Road.

Dr. Pickering has demonstrated able leadership in the area of administration and preaching. He will be a valuable leader in Emmanuel Baptist Church.

We welcome Dr. and Mrs. Pickering to the wonderful state of Ohio and in particular to our O.A.R.B.C. fellowship.

"R and R" Fund

Several months ago a Reserve and Retirement Fund was established for the servants of our blessed O.A.R.B.C. fellowship. This special fund, commonly referred to as R and R, is very important. It is important because it involves our relationship to God's servants. We have all been reminded in several issues of the Ohio Independent Baptist that we should contribute toward this particular account.

As it is true in every local church, we sense a great need to properly care for the needs of God's servants when they retire. Our O.A.R.B.C. fellowship is no different. We have a solemn obligation before God to do what we can toward a suitable retirement.

For the purpose of this article could we take the letters R and R and think of them as referring to the words responsibility and respect? It is our responsibility to make necessary provisions for God's servants. God has not entrusted this to anyone else. God is depending on us to do right. God's servants are also depending upon us. If we sense any responsibility at all we will do what we can. We need to take our responsibility seriously!

Respect is the honor we would give to those who have led us. God's servants have been respectable and deserve our respect. It is inconceivable that some would expect many years of responsible, respectable service from a servant of the Lord and not in turn sense a responsibility and respect to help those dear ones in retirement years. Perhaps we should prayerfully consider how we might work together in this great effort to perpetuate the Reserve and Retirement Fund.

...Rev. Bruce Snyder

Twentieth Anniversary For Akron Church



Rev. and Mrs. Albert Johnson and Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Chapman

An unforgettable weekend took place in Akron, Ohio on September 17, 1978. The Highview Avenue Baptist Church under the direction of its new pastor, Joseph Chapman, celebrated its Twentieth birthday. The original church body was formed in March of 1915, but the church as it is now known is 20 years old. The following pastors ministered here within the 20 year period: Rev. Albert Johnson, Dr. David Luttrell, Rev. Dale Fisher, and Dr. Charles Pausley. Congratulatory messages were sent by these men and others, including Editor/Evangelist A. Donald Moffat.

The auditorium was beautifully arrayed with floral tributes given in memory of loved ones now with the Lord.

Highview's three choirs rendered lovely selections throughout the day with the senior choir attired in new robes which were dedicated in the morning service.

Special guest soloist for the day was Mr. David Chapman, Minister of Youth and Music at the Bible Baptist Church of

Total giving to
R & R
to date

\$5,823.86

Lakeview - Dundee
Immanuel - Columbus

Peru, Indiana, and son of Pastor and Mrs. Joseph Chapman. Mr. Chapman was accompanied at the piano by his wife, Linda.

After the Anniversary Dinner which was served at the church, and enjoyed by 225 people, the Rev. Albert Johnson brought an encouraging message. Pastor Johnson was the shepherd of the flock in 1958 during the construction of the church. Pastors Johnson and Chapman played a beautiful trombone duet followed by special vocal numbers by the Chapman family.

The closing service of the day was unique and a blessing to all. Colored slides and movies of the construction of the church and parsonage and events during the past 20 years were shown and testimonies of praise to the Lord of the past were shared.

The Pastor and people at Highview are thrilled with its history but are happy and excited about what the Lord is doing now and will continue to reveal for its future.

Tenth Annual Holiday Musicales

The choirs of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, 4207 Laskey Road, Toledo, Ohio will be presenting their 10th Annual Holiday Musicales Friday, Saturday and Sunday - December 15, 16 and 17. The Friday and Saturday programs will begin promptly at 8:00 p.m. The Sunday program will be at 7:00 p.m.

The auditorium of the church has a seating capacity of 1900, however, we would advise those who plan on attending to arrive a bit early to make sure they have a seat! These performances are always very well attended.

The choirs this year will be under the able direction of Mr. Roger Kilian. If you want to be blessed with an evening of excellent music - PLAN ON ATTENDING!

The people of the Emmanuel Baptist Church and their new pastor - Dr. Ernest Pickering - extend to you a hearty welcome.

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'Alas, Master! For It Was Borrowed'



Editor's Note: Bill and Ruth Large are well
known in many of our Ohio churches. The fol-
lowing is a recent experience while serving the
Lord under ABWE in Lima, Peru.

It was not the axe head that Elisha
recovered from the water but the Chevy
Station wagon that we were able to bor-
row to take eleven young people with
Ruth and myself for the evangelistic
outreach to the south of Lima - here in
Peru.

We were well on our way, picked up the
young people first at the Victoria church,
and then went out to the other side of
the city to have the others get aboard.
We stopped about an hour and a half
away - all was going well. We had thir-
teen people sardined into a nine-passen-
ger wagon! We were anxious to arrive in
Ica for the radio program, so had to
hurry along. Then, as we were about 20
minutes away from Ica, rejoicing in the
Lord for His watch care over us, we heard
a loud BANG. . . thump. . . thump. . . and
the wagon swayed from side to side near-
ly getting out of control. The hot desert
for over four hours was just too much
for the right rear tire. It was half blown
off the rim. The tube was in shreds. Of
course, in most parts of the Ica road, the
shoulders of the road are just plain sand.



We could not jack up the wagon, but
held it with stones and rocks we were
able to find. We dug a hole to remove the
wheel and put on the spare. After digging
a path back to the road, using low, low
gear, and everyone pushing, we were able
to get out on the second try. It was just
getting dark, but we did arrive at the
Bible Seminary and then on to the radio

program. Andy and Diane were waiting
for us with supper for all. On the radio
program, the young people gave their
testimonies, sang and preached. The
next day on Saturday morning, Dennis
Oatley had our group join the young
people of the Ica church for a program
of visitation. In the afternoon, we visited
the church in Santiago, and played some
games. The girls played volley ball, and
the fellows - football. The evening ser-
vice back at the Ica church was a real
blessing with once again the young peo-
ple taking part. There were seven decisi-
ons for the Lord. Sunday morning we
attended the Tinguina church outside of
Ica, and the young people, once again,
were used in music and testimony. It
was a thrill to see them (most in the last
year of high school, or in university)
testifying of the Lord's keeping and sav-
ing grace.

We returned to Lima in the afternoon
and arrived back in time for the evening
church service. We all thanked the Lord
for His protection and provision of the
borrowed vehicle. We had to buy a new
tire for the return trip, but it was worth
it. We would have had a hard time trying
to get 13 people in our wee Datsun car.
Of course, Ruth and I felt the strain of
the weekend for a couple of days after,
but we rejoice in Him for His care and
love to us by allowing us once again to
be active in His vineyard here.

Father/Son Team At Cuyahoga Falls

Mr. Stephen E. Smith has accepted the
position of Assistant to the Pastor at the
Graham Road Baptist Church, 705 Gra-
ham Road, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

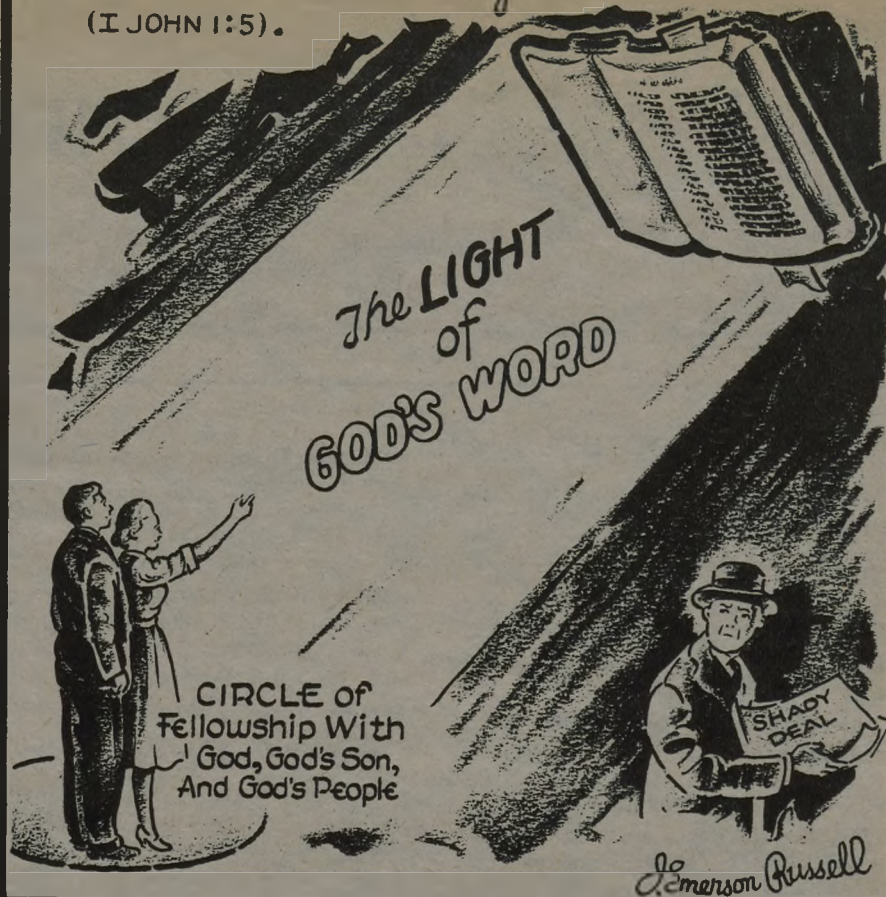
Our brother has joined his father, Rev.
Laurence E. Smith who is pastor of the
church. He began his work on October
9th. His wife's name is Pam and they
have two precious children - Shane and
Sarah. They are residing at 636 Mar-
guerite in Cuyahoga Falls.

Pastor Steve formerly ministered as
Youth Pastor at the Sharon Baptist
Church in Sharon, Pennsylvania. He
received his education at Grace Col-
lege, Winona Lake, Indiana and Cedar-
ville College, Cedarville, Ohio.

He has been involved in Christian Day
School ministries, youth activities and
music. He will serve in the fields of
"youth" and "music" at the Graham
Road church.

BETTER GET INTO THE CIRCLE!

"This then is the message... God is LIGHT"
(I JOHN 1:5).



The Rev. J. Emerson Russell, artist-preacher, and former art director at Cedarville College, is
now available for Bible Conferences. He may be addressed at 4 Tecumseh Drive, Chillicothe,
Ohio 45601.

A Special Kind Of Caring

"Thanksgiving Food Ingathering Scheduled For Regular Baptist Children's Agency"

Now that school is in session and we
face the cold winter months ahead, we
are reminded of the various provisions
that will be necessary to feed the children
that have been placed in our care. The
Thanksgiving season is a good time to
take a look backward to be thankful for
what the Lord has done for us. During
these moments of reflection we can often
be encouraged to press on with the fruit-
ful work that God has called us to do.
Such is the case for all of us at the Reg-
ular Baptist Children's Agency in St.
Louis, Michigan.

You, no doubt, have felt the pinch of
inflation on your food budgets at home,
and the Children's Agency is no exception.
We have been thrilled this past year with
the wonderful food and supply items
which were donated by members of our
church fellowship.

Our Agency family will soon grow lar-
ger with the opening of a fourth Residen-
tial Care Cottage for teenage girls, so
our need for food and supplies is greater
than previous years. We are asking that
you cooperate with us once again during
this time of "sharing" around Thanks-
giving. We trust our great Lord that you
will all prayerfully consider bringing or
sending some food and/or supply items
for a donation to the Agency. If you
cannot bring or send the items, we would

be happy to arrange a time to pick up
the items at your location.

If you and your church participated
last year or in several years past, we
thank you and again ask you to help. If
you did not have a part please help this
year. Also, if you decide that a food in-
gathering would be impractical because
of distance, perhaps you would be will-
ing to contribute funds designated for
this specific ingathering.

There is no better way that you and
your church fellowship could contribute
more directly to the immediate needs
of the children placed here for our care.
Every cent that we do not have to spend
for food and supplies can be used to-
ward providing a more effective program
for meeting their emotional, spiritual and
physical needs.

Children are God's business, and ours!
WE NEED YOU! Your gifts make prog-
ress possible. Won't you experience the
blessings of joining with the Regular
Baptist Children's Agency in our "Spec-
ial Kind of Caring."

REV. NORM BOSWORTH, MSW
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1978 FBHM Candidate Class



Thirty-two candidates comprised the 1978 F.B.H.M. Candidate Class which met September 4 - 15 at the Abbe Road Baptist Church in Elyria, Ohio.

President Austin D. Plew, along with members of the Mission staff, taught some of the classes and also conducted the Recognition Service which was held the last week of school.

Amherst Church Calls New Youth And Music Pastor



Marty and Doneece Fleck

The Faith Baptist Church of Amherst, Ohio (Rev. Robert N. Barrett, Pastor) have called Brother Marty Fleck to serve as their Youth and Music Pastor.

Brother Fleck and his wife, Doneece, began their ministry in Amherst on July 1st. They both have traveled with the Life Action group. He is a graduate of the Lancaster Bible College of Lancaster, Penna. They are the proud parents of a lovely little girl named Carrie Janelle.

Folk at the Faith Baptist Church are praising the Lord for the fine job Brother Marty is doing. (He is a brother to Janet Krueger, wife of Don Krueger - formerly of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Toledo, Ohio. Also, Marty's dad is Rev. John Fleck, who has just been called to serve as pastor of the Bethlehem Baptist Church, Orange Village, Ohio).

Kuhnles Return To Wisconsin

In our AUG/SEPT. issue of the O.I.B., we ran an article concerning Dr. Wm. E. Kuhnle, former Assistant to our National GABRC Representative, who recently retired. We stated that he would be available for pulpit supply and/or Bible Conference ministry.

Dr. and Mrs. Kuhnle are now living at 8720 Appleton Avenue in Milwaukee, Wisconsin - 53225. Pastors interested in having him in their churches should write him at this address. He would be a blessing to YOUR people!



Ben Kendrick

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Rev. V. Ben Kendrick, Deputation Coordinator
Baptist Mid-Missions, 4205 Chester Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44103

Smithville Pastor Is Ordained

On Monday, September 18, 1978, at the request of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Smithville, Ohio, an ordination council was convened to examine their pastor, Stephen P. Olsen, for the setting apart to the work of the gospel ministry.

Fourteen pastors and messengers sat in council, electing Pastor Willis Hull of the First Baptist Church, Elyria, Ohio as moderator and Pastor John Moosey of the Whipple Avenue Baptist Church, Canton, Ohio as clerk. Council was led in prayer by Dr. James T. Jeremiah after which Brother Ralph Hill introduced the candidate - Stephen P. Olsen.

Brother Olsen gave statements concerning his conversion, baptism and church membership. A statement then was given concerning his call into the ministry which included areas of service and preparation.

A thorough examination by the council followed in the area of doctrinal beliefs of the candidate including Baptist conviction, soul winning, practical service, family life, practical aspects of separation and practical theology.

Council then heard testimony from the candidate's wife, Mary Jane, upon which council moved into executive session. After hearing words of recommendation from several council members, the council unanimously declared to the church their satisfaction with the candidate and recommended that the church proceed with plans for public ordination.

... John Moosey, Clerk

On Tuesday evening, September 19th, the church held an Ordination Service. Rev. Arnold Olsen, Vice President of Spurgeon Baptist Bible College and father of Brother Stephen, preached the ordination sermon. His brother, Phil - brought the special music. Pastor Long from Mehoopany, Penna. gave the charge to the church. Following the service, the church held a reception for Pastor Olsen and his wife. It was a time of blessing for all!

Southwest Ohio Pastor's Fellowship

On Tuesday, September 12, the Southwest Ohio Pastor's Baptist Fellowship met at Cedarville College to organize for the 1978-79 year. Rev. Tom Fillingner of Shawnee Hills was elected president and Rev. Robert Perry of Arcanum, secretary.

The meetings of this year are taking on a new format. They will be held each month in the Xenia Y.M.C.A. with lunch at 12:20 p.m. This will be followed with a time for business, prayer and fellowship in the Word.

At their first meeting on September 28th, their guest speaker was Dr. Piper. It is planned that future meetings be held the first Tuesday of each month. There was no October meeting, however, due to the OARBC State Conference which was held in Northfield - October 16 - 18.

New Minister Of Music At Bellefontaine Church



Mr. Tim Cosby

The Calvary Baptist Church of Bellefontaine, Ohio (Rev. Earl R. Decker, Pastor) has called Brother Tim Cosby to serve as their Minister of Music.

Our brother is a graduate of Baptist Bible College, Clarks Summit, Pa., with a bachelor degree in the field of music. He is an outstanding trumpet player. His wife, Diane, has also earned her bachelor degree in music. Mr. and Mrs. Cosby are the happy parents of a little girl - Michelle who is only a few months old.

The Cosbys are looking to the Lord to bless as they serve Him and the folk at Calvary Baptist Church. They began their ministry just recently.

Special Services Held For Missionaries



Mark and Nancy Staley

Calvary Baptist Church of Ashland, Ohio (Rev. Homer E. Graven, Pastor) had a special service on Sunday evening, September 17, to commission Mark and Nancy Staley as missionaries to Liberia, West Africa.

Guest speaker for this service was Dr. C. Raymond Buck, Foreign Missions Secretary of Baptist Mid-Missions.

The church presented Mark and Nancy with a gift of \$3500 for passage and equipment. The Ladies Missionary Society also gave them a special gift. There was a time of fellowship and refreshments.

A second special service was held on September 24 when Brother Mark Staley was ordained to the Gospel ministry.

Mark Staley is a native of Ashland, Ohio area. He graduated from Mapleton High School, the Moody Bible Institute and Piedmont College.

The ordination was ordered by the Calvary Baptist Church, Ashland, Ohio, as a result of an ordination council held on September 22.

The special speaker at the ordination service was Mark's father - Donald Staley. The Right Hand of Fellowship was given by Rev. Donald E. Matheny, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Brunswick, Ohio. The Charge to the Candidate was presented by Rev. David Shimp, Pastor of the Litchfield Baptist Church, Litchfield, Ohio. The Charge to the Church was given by Rev. Willis Hull, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Elyria, Ohio.

Rev. Mark and his wife, Nancy, look forward to a life of serving the Lord. They go to Liberia with the blessing and the prayers of the folk at the Ashland church.

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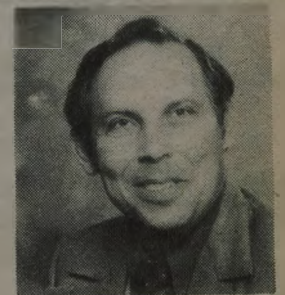
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Galatians 6:10



Continuing Faithfully In Serving The Lord

What does one do after they retire from the position of President of a Christian college? In the case of Dr. James T. Jeremiah, former resident of Cedarville College and now its Chancellor - he just keeps on serving the Lord!

Our brother is busily engaged in a Bible-teaching ministry traveling far and wide. Not only that, he also gives himself (along with his wife, Ruby) to conducting Holy Land Tours. Their next planned tour will be March 12 through 21, 1979. During October (5 through 31), they traveled to the Philippine Islands and ministered there!



Dr. James T. Jeremiah

As though all of this was not enough, Dr. Jeremiah has his radio ministry. This, too, is being blessed by the Lord. Many have written telling of their appreciation of his program - **LIGHT FOR LIVING**. It is presently being broadcasted over 23 different stations. We asked that we might have a listing of the stations. We are presenting this list to our readers suggesting that they "tune in" and be blessed along with others.

Pastors interested in having Dr. Jeremiah minister in their churches should write him as follows: Dr. James T. Jeremiah, Chancellor - Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio - 54314.

RADIO STATIONS CURRENTLY CARRYING LIGHT FOR LIVING

City	Call Letters	Dial	Schedule
Auburn, Indiana	WIFF	105.5 Mhz	Sun. 8:30 a.m.
Berea, Ohio	WBWC	88.0 Mhz	
Cedarville, Ohio	WCOR	90.3 Mhz	M-F 7:45 a.m. 4:30 p.m.
Chattanooga, Tennessee	WMBW	88.9 Mhz	M-F 6:25 a.m.
Cleveland, Ohio	WCRF	103.3 Mhz	M-F 7:50 a.m.
DuBois, Pennsylvania	WDBA	107.3 Mhz	M-F 7:02 p.m.
East Moline, Illinois	WDLN	960 Khz	M-F 6:40 a.m.
Ft. Wayne, Indiana	WBCL	90.3	M-F 7:30 a.m. 8:15 p.m.
Gaffney, South Carolina	WAGI-FM	105 Mhz	M-F 2:30 a.m.
Greenville, Illinois	WGRN	89.3 Mhz	M-F 4:45 p.m.
Harve de Grace, Maryland	WASA	103.7 Mhz	M-F 9:30 a.m.
Holland, Ohio	WPOS	102.3 Mhz	M-F 6:10 p.m.
Lapeer, Michigan	WMPC	1230 Khz	M-F 6:15 p.m.
Lima, Ohio	WTGN	97.7 Mhz	M-F 3:20 p.m.
Marquette, Michigan	WHWL	95.7 Mhz	M-F 8:40 a.m.
Miamisburg, Ohio	WFCJ	93.7 Mhz	M-F 3:30 p.m.
Middletown, Connecticut	WIHS	104.9 Mhz	M-F 9:10 a.m.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	WVCY	107.7 Mhz	M-F 11:05 a.m.
Springfield, Ohio	WEEC	100.7 Mhz	M-F 12:15 a.m. 1:50 p.m.
Vieques Island, Puerto Rico	WIVV	1370 Khz	M-F 1:10 p.m.
Waterloo, Iowa	KNWS	101.9 Mhz	M-F 1:00 p.m.
Wichita, Kansas	KSGI		M-F 1:55 p.m.
Winter Park, Florida	EARS		

FBHM Family Conference



The theme of the F.B.H.M. Family Conference which met at the Iowa Regular Baptist Camp at Clear Lake, Iowa, September 19 - 21 was "Reaching Our Jerusalem."

President Austin D. Plew was on hand to welcome the missionary family to the time of inspiration and fellowship enjoyed on the splendid camp facilities.

Dr. Ben Strohehn of Ames, Iowa, whose messages were of such a practical blessing to all, was the conference speaker.

Members of the staff and of the National Council met for their Annual Meeting prior to the conference and conducted various services and workshops for the occasion.

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An unusual and very worthy scholarship program has been instituted at Grand Rapids Baptist College & Seminary. It has been designed to assist in training European nationals as pastors and church builders among their own people. The financial base of the scholarship was made possible through a gift of one deeply concerned for the cause of Christ world wide. His conviction as stated to Dr. W. Wilbert Welch, president of Grand Rapids Baptist College & Seminary, is that a mature, dedicated national, may be called of God under the ministry of some of our European missionaries, if given an intensive Seminary training and provided the opportunity to observe church growth principles here in the States, could be most productive in church planting in his homeland. The cost would be far less than the support of a missionary, would be a one-time cost only, and would supplement our missionary efforts in Europe.

"COLLEGE DAYS" PROGRAM EXPANDING

The Grand Rapids Baptist College announces that it will again be conducting "College Days" in interested churches in Michigan and surrounding states. Forty-three churches were visited last year through this program, and Carol Jennex, Coordinator of Ministries at Grand Rapids, says they are expecting to have "College Days" in at least sixty churches this year.

The objectives in this program are to inform and update individuals, as well as churches, of the current concepts and goals of the school and to minister in the church by the sharing in music, personal testimonies, and the Word of God. Students and professors alike make up the teams which conduct the College Days.

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PRESIDENT DIXON AWARDED DOCTORATE

A native of Cincinnati, Dr. Paul Dixon is a 1961 graduate of Tennessee Temple College, which is located in Chattanooga, Tenn. After receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree, he remained at Tennessee Temple for his seminary training at Temple Baptist Theological Seminary, graduating with a Master of Divinity in 1964.

Dr. Dixon was named President-elect of Cedarville College on March 31, 1978, following a ten-month search by the Board of Trustees for a successor to Dr. James T. Jeremiah, who retired from the presidency and now serves as Chancellor of the college. Dr. Dixon took over his new responsibilities on September 15, 1978.

On August 10, 1978, Dr. Dixon was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Divinity from his alma mater, receiving the degree from the founder and Chancellor of Tennessee Temple, Dr. Lee Roberson.



From left to right are Dr. Paul Dixon, Dr. Lee Roberson, and Dr. Orman Norwood after the ceremonies where Dixon and Orman received their honorary doctorates.

CEDARVILLE BAPTIST OPEN

The 6th annual Cedarville College Golf Tournament took place on September 15 and 16 as two-hundred sixty-five men were gathered at two different golf courses (Reid Park and Locust Hills) for fun and competition.

Men teed off at their scheduled time on Friday, and as they came in their scores were recorded. Later, a banquet was held in the college cafeteria. President Paul Dixon brought a message to the men from the Word of God in the college chapel. Following the message, the 1978 Masters Film was shown.

Over 250 men teed off at 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning at the sound of a shotgun. Prior to this time, the men were put into ten separate flights. There were 1st and 2nd place trophies for each flight.

Cedarville College would like to recognize all the men who participated in the golf tournament and give special recognition to those who took home trophies. Mark Womach was this year's first place winner. He is a freshman here at Cedarville College this year. Second place was claimed by Ken Grofik from Bucyrus, Ohio. The other winners are listed by flight first and then by place (first and second). They are as follows: 2nd fl. 1st place, Jack McManus; 2nd fl. 2nd place, Richard Kilian; 3rd fl. 1st place, Al Traught; 3rd fl. 2nd place, Bob Ellington; 4th fl. 1st place, Dan Taylor; Loren Hamill tied with Donald Rutan for 4th fl. 2nd place; 5th fl. 1st place, Ray Ames; 5th fl. 2nd place, Mark Brant; 6th fl. 1st

place, Gary Young; 6th fl. 2nd place, William Frederick; 7th fl. 1st place, Kerry Hubartt; 7th fl. 2nd place, Larry Powell; 8th fl. 2nd place, William Alder; 9th fl. 1st place, Ken Martin; 9th fl. 2nd place, Jim Nickelson; 10th fl. 1st place, Ty Phillips; 10th fl. 2nd place, Bill Moore.

Competition also included churches who have three or more participating members. The first place church trophy was awarded to Grace Baptist Church of Cedarville, Ohio. Second place trophy was taken by Lima Baptist Temple of Lima, Ohio.

The Cedarville Baptist Open Tourney is played annually in September. If you would like more information or be on our golf mailing list, write to: C. J.



Cedarville student, Tim Birk, participating in this year's tournament at Reid Park.

Humm, Box 601, Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio 45314.

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Three new full-time members have joined the faculty of Cedarville College. Mrs. Sue H. Baker has been appointed assistant professor of education. Mrs. Baker graduated from Kent State University with a B.S. in education. She also received her masters degree from Kent State in 1968. She is presently working on her doctorate at the University of Akron. Mrs. Baker has taught at the Owensville Elementary School in Owensville, Ohio and at the Northfield Elementary School in Northfield, Ohio. While at Northfield she served as pianist, organist, and choir director at Northfield Baptist Church, as well as holding positions on the Missions Committee and Christian School Committee.

Dr. Merlin Ager also joins the faculty in the business department. Dr. Ager earned his B.A. from Cedarville, M.S. from the University of Wisconsin, and his Ph.D. from Ohio State University in 1967. His previous experience includes teaching at Madison Junior High School, Cedarville College, and most recently served as principal of Dayton Christian Elementary School. He has also done part-time teaching at Wright State University, Central State University, Bucknell University, and spent six months at Faith Academy in Manila, Philippines. In addition to serving on the Board of Trustees at Scioto Hills Camp, Dr. Ager is a Sunday School teacher at Grace Baptist Church in Cedarville and holds an interest in community events.

Mr. Ronald Walker, new assistant professor of business, graduated from Bowling Green State University and earned his M.S. from the University of Michigan in 1968. He is presently studying for his doctorate at Kent State University. He has formerly served as assistant professor at Central State University and at the University of Montana. Mr. Walker is a brother of Richard Walker, Dean of Men, and is a member of Grace Baptist Church in Cedarville.

Five new members are also joining the part-time faculty this year. Becky Kuhn, B.A., and Sandra Schlappi, B.A., are additions to the health and physical education Matson previously earned his bachelor's degree from Cedarville College and his

department. Joining the faculty in the department of language and literature are David Affolter, B.S., and Barbara Loach, B.A. Dr. Warren Webber rejoins the faculty as a professor in the music department.

Cedarville College now offers 19 major fields of study and holds a 20/1 faculty-student ratio, with 47 percent of the faculty holding earned doctorates.

RECEIVES DOCTORATE

David L. Matson, chairman of the music department at Cedarville College, recently received a Ph.D. degree in music education from Ohio State University. Dr.

Department of Cedarville College. His appointment was made to fill a vacancy left by Dan Stevens, former coordinator, who left to take a position on the faculty of Grand Rapids Baptist College.

Gary is a 1975 graduate of Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Agriculture. His wife, Becky (Seldon), is a 1978 graduate of Cedarville College with a degree in Physical Education. The couple has an infant daughter, Kristin Joy.

Gary comes to the college after serving as sales representative for the Ralston-Purina Company for the past two and a half years. Becky, who was a member of the college field hockey team during her years at Cedarville, is serving as coach for the team.

The couple is presently affiliated with the Blessed Hope Baptist Church of Huber Heights, Ohio.

Initially, Gary's responsibilities will involve providing information of campus events and activities to the alumni, as well as informing them of other news of pertinence and interest. He would also like to begin a program of working with current seniors, making them aware of opportunities offered them by the Alumni Association and of the need for them to become actively involved in the organization.

Other additions to the full-time staff include Paul Ware, head groundskeeper, Jack Campbell, assistant director of physical plant, Dane Rohm, WCDR station manager, and David Rock, WCDR director of operations.

M.A. from Ohio State University. His doctoral dissertation was titled "Field Dependence-Interdependence in Children and Their Response to Musical Tasks Embodying Piaget's Principle of Conservation."

Dr. Matson is Music Committee Chairman at Grace Baptist Church in Cedarville. He lists his outside interests as sports and reading and holds varied community interests. He also holds membership in the American Choral Directors Association, American Musicology Society, Music Educators National Conference, and the National Association of Teachers of Singing.

ALUMNI COORDINATOR NAMED

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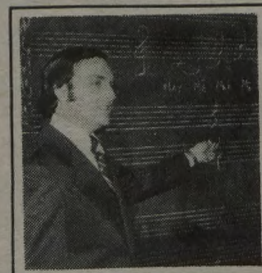
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AKRON, HIGHVIEW AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Our pastor and his family ministered in music at the Missionary Conference held in the Faith Baptist Church of Streetsboro, Ohio. Editor/Evangelist Don Moffat and his wife, Lois ministered here Sunday, October 15.

AMHERST, FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH—

"The Lee Wise" family were with us in September. They are serving the Lord in Chile under the A.B.W.E. On October 22, we were privileged to have "The Fishers" who also are missionaries under A.B.W.E. but serving in Australia.

ARCANUM, IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Lee Turner of Cedarville College ministered here on October 1st. The Lord blessed through our Harvest Evangelistic Meetings with Evangelist Don Winters.

BEDFORD, BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH—

Recent speakers include Dr. Robert Gromacki, Dr. Kenneth Muck, and Rev. Earl Willetts. We viewed the film—"Martin Luther." The Lord blessed through our Missionary Conference. Missionary Bob Collins truly challenged our hearts.

CANTON, PERRY BAPTIST CHURCH—

Rev. George Washburn of Wycliffe Bible Translators spoke here on September 10. In the evening of that day, he showed a film entitled—"Not Worth The Bother." This told of a translator at work among a Brazilian jungle Indian tribe.

CANTON, WHIPPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH—

"The Fred Richardson Evangelistic Team" directed our Vacation Bible School. The Lord truly blessed. Lenney Seidel, noted pianist, from Springfield, Virginia, presented a Sacred Concert here on September 17. His sacred music was arranged in the style of the classics with themes of Bach, Mozart, Chopin and Beethoven.

CEDARVILLE, GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH—

Dr. Martin Clark ministered here in August. Hearts were blessed, too, through the ministry of missionary Verne Kirby (BMM-Alaska)

COLUMBUS, CLINTONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH—

Each Sunday evening, during this Fall and continuing through the Spring, classes will be taught at 5:45 P.M. This will run for a period of 12 weeks. Pastor Hattenfield is teaching a synthetic survey of each of the books of the New Testament, and Pastor Estes is teaching Genesis with special emphasis on God's covenant with Abraham.

COLUMBUS, IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH—

A team from Shepherds School in Wisconsin were here on October 1st. Our Ladies Missionary Group hosted the West Moriah Women's Missionary Fellowship in September. Guest speakers were Miss Becky Wood, case worker for the "unwed mothers" Home in Valparaiso, Indiana and Mrs. Floyd Davis, wife of Executive Director for Home Missions under A.B.W.E. An AWANA Mother and Daughter Tea was held Saturday, October 21.

COLUMBUS, MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH—

September 17 marked the day of our 13th Anniversary as a church. During these few short years, we are amazed at that which he has done! The Lord has indeed been good!

COLUMBUS, MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH—

Our former Youth Pastor - Tim Northey was ordained at our church recently. He is now serving as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Navarino in Shiocton, Wisconsin. The Academy of Arts Christian Players from South Carolina recently presented a Christian drama on the life of Joseph. It was entitled - "God Meant It For Good."

CUYAHOGA FALLS, GRAHAM ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH—

Our Ladies Bible Class viewed the film - "Born Free." We held our Father/Son banquet October 5. Brother Bob Devine was guest speaker. Mr. Stephen E. Smith, the son of Pastor and Mrs. Smith, has accepted a call to become our Assistant Pastor. Hearts were blessed through our Missionary Conference held October 22-25. Guest speakers included Dr. Floyd Davis, Rev. Curt Thomas, Rev. Harold Green, Miss Lucille Brouillet, and Rev. Ron DeJong. Fields represented were Home missions, Cedarville College, Rescue missions, Brazil and Australia.

DAYTON, COUNTY LINE BAPTIST CHURCH—

We held a special day honoring "the Umbaughs." This was on September 17. Our men enjoyed their Father/Son banquet. Recent guest speakers include - T.A. Anderson of Chattanooga, Tenn. and Mike Bentley. Brother Mike showed slides of the Swordbearers ministry, in which he was involved, this past summer.

DAYTON, EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH—

While our pastor and his wife took the remainder of their vacation, we were privileged to have Paul Kreider, Kenneth Fransworth and Leonard Miller as guest speakers.

DEFIANCE, FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH—

September 10 through 15 we were led in special evangelistic services by Evangelist Robert Shelton. His ministry was blessed of the Lord. Our pastor, Rev. Merlyn E. Jones has resigned as pastor of our church to accept a call to minister at the Faith Baptist Church in Mount Vernon, Ohio. We covet the prayers of all O.I.B. readers as we seek a new pastor.

DUNDEE, LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH—

We appreciated the ministry of Rev. Harry Cole of Cedarville College. He ministered here Sunday, September 17.

ELYRIA, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—

We heard concerning the need for the gospel in Australia when Rev. Bruce Holmes of Baptist Mid-Missions spoke here. We viewed the film—"A Distant Thunder" at a Youth Rally held here October 6th. Rev. and Mrs. Dave Gardner were with us all day, September 22. They told of their work under A.B.W.E. in Dutch New Guinea.

FAIRBORN, GRAND AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH—

Our ladies and their daughters attended the Mother/Daughter Retreat at Skyview Ranch. We received a special offering for the Chapel at Cedarville College. Also, recently, we viewed the film—"The Power Of Prayer."

FOSTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH—

Over the past few months we have had a number of guest speakers. These include Rev. Tidball of the Cleveland Hebrew Mission, Rev. Austin Elmore of Cedarville College, Mr. Robert Wolfe, Jr., Rev. Richard McIntosh of Cedarville College and Rev. Kenneth Klien. We experienced rich blessings from the ministry of Evangelist John Canine. On September 6th, we gathered to honor our pastor and his wife on their 30th Wedding Anniversary. We presented them with a purse of money.

GALLIPOLIS, FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH—

September 1-3 were the dates of our 8th Anniversary Celebration. Dr. James T. Jeremiah of Cedarville College was guest speaker for this occasion.

GROVE CITY, BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH—

We held our 4th Missions Conference September 15-17. As guest speakers we had Dr. Orman Norwood of International Board of Jewish Missions, Adrian Kerley of Baptist Mid-Missions (Appointee to Australia), Wayne Torbusy of B.I.M.I. (on furlough from France), and J. C. Maness of B.I.M.I. (Appointee to Ireland). At one of the services, Dr. Norwood presented a special demonstration of the Jewish Passover.

HINCHKLEY, HINCKLEY RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH—

Our Youth Director, Glenn Bullis has resigned to become Bus Director of the Willow Hill Baptist Church on the East Edge of Cleveland. We held an October Crusade October 11 through 15 with Evangelist Bill Compton as guest speaker. The Lord blessed. We held a successful Vacation Bible School this year. Other guest speakers who have been with us recently are Rev. Lanny Akers and Rev. Harvey Christian.

KENTON, FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH—

We are happy to announce that Brother Tom Benefield is working with us in the youth ministries of our church. On October 8th, Brother Benefield brought the Soccer Team from Cedarville College. Their testimonies were blessing. We were happy to have Earl and Sergie Umbaugh here in September.

LITCHFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH—

Over the past months we have been blessed in many ways. The Swordbearers of Cedarville College were here. Gospel Artist C. Leroy Sheveland led us in successful meetings. Other guest speakers included Joy Spieth, Leland Howard, Earl Umbaugh and Elton Hukill. Rev. Paul Tidball was here in October. We are looking forward to an effective week of revival meetings in November with Evangelist Don Winters.

LORAIN, EUCLID AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH—

Our pastor ministered at both Camp Patmos and Skyview Ranch this summer. Guest speakers include Keith Rockafellow of H.B.M. to Montana and Evangelist Eldon Weaver of Iowa. Pastor Henry Crowell has resigned as Assistant to the Pastor in order to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Portage, Indiana.

LORAIN, WEST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH—

While our pastor was vacationing with his family, we were blessed by the ministry of Rev. Austin Plew, Rev. David Dunkin and Dr. Kenneth Muck (all of FBHM). We had a good time at our Sunday School picnic in August. Some

of our ladies attended the Ladies' Retreat at Camp Patmos in September. They were blessed through this experience.

MEDINA, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—

The Lord blessed our 27th Annual Missionary Conference. Missionary Ezell Wiggins (FBHM), Sami Kanai (BMM-Arab ministry in Detroit), Joy Spieth (BMM-Brazil), and Ken Frost (New Tribes-Brazil) were used of the Lord to challenge our people. The dates of our conference were November 4 through 8. On October 8, Missionary Mel Lacock spoke here and on October 18 - Missionary Lee Wise.

MCDONALD, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—

We were happy to have Dave and Debbie Nune-maker and their family of three children with us on October 1. Slides were shown in the evening service following a Fellowship supper. These dear folk are serving the Lord under Evangelical Baptist Missions in the country of Niger. Several of our ladies will be attending the Ladies Retreat at Mohican Camp this November.

NILES, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—

We were blessed September 17-20 during our special meetings. Dr. Hugh Hall of Cedarville, Ohio was guest Bible teacher. Also, Rev. Harold Davis ministered here on October 1st.

NORTH MADISON, BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH—

The Bob Jones University Male Ensemble sang here on August 17. We held our annual Labor Day picnic and a good time was had by all. Simon Leon, missionary to Mexico, brought a devotional message at this gathering. Our AWANA program is under way and the folk - young and old are enjoying it!

OBERLIN, CAMBEN BAPTIST CHURCH—

Missionary Dave Drozek told us of his work in Chad, Africa. We viewed the film - "Thief In The Night." We are having excellent attendance at our AWANA gatherings.

ORANGE VILLAGE, BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH—

Our Annual Missionary Conference was held October 1 through 4. We will be having Brother Steve Boalt here on November 26 for a concert. Our new pastor - Rev. John Fleck is now on the field. We anticipate blessing under his ministry and are glad the Lord has sent him our way.

PATASKALA, BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH—

In grace, the Lord continues to bless our work. We see a steady growth week following week! We recently paid off the church mortgage. Also, we voted to increase our missionary giving - \$35 more to Roy and Nancy Jones who are serving in Spain, \$30 for Gary Holtz who is with Campus Bible Fellowship, \$5 to the West Moriah Youth and ten cents a mile to Carricks for Youth transportation. We had Rev. and Mrs. Earl Umbaugh with us for Sunday, September 24. They proved a blessing to our people.

STREETSBORO, FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH—

We held our Missionary Conference-September 24 through 27 with Missionary Fex Dye (Independent Faith Mission - Kenya), Missionary Ross De Felice (HBM-Chardon, Ohio), and Missionary Neil Whitwam (I.F.M.-Italy). On Sunday, October 22, Missionary John Lacey from Liberia ministered here. We recently had the film - "The Miracle Goes On." It is good seeing the Lord work in our midst! He is blessing.

SPRINGFIELD, SOUTHGATE BAPTIST CHURCH—

Our new pastor, Rev. John R. Greening and his family are now with us. Already his ministry is proving a blessing. Our Sunday School "Creation" class presented a film entitled - "The World That Perished."

TOLEDO, BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH—

Brother Mack Evans was here October 3rd to sing for us. We will be led in evangelistic meetings November 15 through 17 by Evangelist Jim Dunne. On October 11 we viewed the film "Russia's Silent Church."

TOLEDO, EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH—

Brother Gary Holtz spoke at one of our Mid-Week prayer meetings presenting the work of Campus Bible Fellowship (BMM). We were led in evangelistic meetings by Evangelist Bill Compton October 16 through 22. Mrs. Sherry Wise, missionary appointee to Chile, was guest speaker at our Ladies Missionary Fellowship - October 10.

TOLEDO, GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH—

Sketch Erickson was here with us on October 27. Editor/Evangelist Don Moffat and his wife,

Lois, will be ministering here November 12 through 17. This will be a Bible Evangelistic Conference. Our AWANA program is being blessed of the Lord. Joy Spieth (BMM-Brazil) was with us for our "Missionary Night" in September.

WARREN, BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH—

Recently, Bill Sharrat, Word of Life Missionary, was with us. Also Brother Larry Smith and his family. They are looking forward to serving the Lord in the Philippines. October 30, 31 and November 1st we were led in a "Soul-Winning" Conference by Dr. Bill Schroeder. Also, Rev. Don Worch of Baptist Children's Home spoke here.

WARREN, CHAMPION BAPTIST CHURCH—

Earl and Sergie Umbaugh were with us for a day. What a blessing they were! We had a Potluck supper on Sept. 10 at which time we dedicated our new Fellowship Hall "unto the Lord." We are continuing with our remodeling. Both the inside and outside of the church is being bricked. We are getting new pews, a baptistry, large restroom areas and a lovely foyer. The Lord is good!

WESTLAKE, GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH—

It was a joy to have our former pastor, Rev. Doug Couch, with us. Presently he serves the Lord under Baptist Mid-Missions. He and his wife labored in Australia. Now, however, he is a Deputation Secretary for the mission. His ministry is more in the south. Dick and Marcia of West Palm Beach presented a concert here. At our Watchnight service we plan on viewing the film - "The World That Perished."

WHEELERSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH—

It was good having our former pastor-Donald Grollmund-minister here in September. On October 8th, Brother Gary Storm gave us a full report (with slides) of our Scioto Hills 1978 Camp season. We appreciated seeing the film - "A Dream Begun."

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ON TARGET WITH MISSIONS

MISSIONARY SUPPORT seems to be uppermost these days in the minds of many. In my travels among the churches, I hear questions such as:

1. Are there too many missionaries for our Baptist churches to support?
2. Why does it take one couple two and three years to get their support?
3. Is it necessary for them to travel all over the country for support?

These and other related questions must be answered. Just any answer will not do, and I have taken this opportunity to give our readers some of my thoughts on this very important subject. I am assuming that most of you reading this article are members of churches which hold to a Baptist position; and as I approach this matter, I do so entirely on the basis of churches which are Baptist in their beliefs and practice and missionaries who are likewise Baptists.

Allow me, if you will, to comment on the first question which I believe requires a somewhat different answer from the other two: Are there too many missionaries for our churches to support? To begin with, we must believe that God calls forth missionaries. Churches don't call missionaries. They simply loose them and send them forth. God is the sole responsible One for putting into the hearts of certain individuals that call to be missionaries. Because it is God Who calls them, then it is impossible to have too many God-called Baptist missionaries for our Baptist churches.

You ask immediately. Then what is the problem? Surely something is not being done which we should be doing. I would like to say here that I am convinced that there are sufficient funds within fundamental Baptist churches to support every fundamental Baptist missionary as well as underwrite their related ministries such as medical, printing, aviation, etc.

Some time ago I wrote an article entitled, "Everything Under the Sun." Perhaps it would be timely for me to share with you this article again to illustrate my thinking on why I believe there are sufficient funds to support our Baptist missionaries. The article is as follows:

EVERYTHING UNDER THE SUN

"Do you mean to say that they may be engaged to a deputation ministry for as long as two years before they can leave for their field?" came the voice through the telephone receiver.

"That's right," I said. "Two years seems to be the average length of time that an appointee spends in deputation."

"But, to me, that's a waste of time and money. Why do they have to spend so much time in traveling and meetings?"

I paused for a moment. "Perhaps you can tell me," I asked. "What do you think is the problem for those involved in deputation?"

You may be sure I was surprised when I heard his answer.

"It's the fault of the churches," he said. "It doesn't really help an appointee just to give him another meeting and an offering if you're not going to pray for him and prayerfully consider taking on some of his support."

I listened in silence as he continued.

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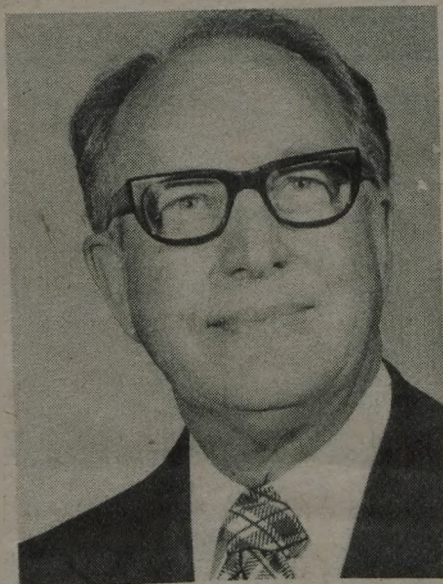
On September 7th at 1:00 p.m. an Ordinance Council was held at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in Homeworth, Ohio. Along with invited sister churches of the area, the Homeworth church sat in council to see the advisability of setting apart unto the Gospel ministry their pastor, Brother Ronald LeRoy Grosh.

The council included the following churches and their representatives: Grace Baptist, Canton - Rev. Billie Anderson; Perry Baptist, Canton - Rev. Gordon Roloff; Whipple Avenue Baptist, Canton - Rev. John Moosey; Lakeview Baptist, Dundee - Rev. Robert Veenhuis; First Baptist, Louisville - Rev. Steve Lantz; Calvary Baptist, Massillon - Rev. Robert Marsh; Pleasant Hill Baptist, Smithville - Rev. Stephen Olsen, Mr. Jack Sly and Mr. Ralph Hill; Berea Baptist, Berea - Rev. Derwin Hauser, Mr. Al Guenther and Mr. Ralph Humphreys. Other invited guests attending were: Rev. Earl Willets, Rev. Earl Umbaugh, Rev. Thayne Bodenmiller, Rev. Leigh Adams and Dr. Gerald Smelser.

After a thorough and complete examination of the candidate, the council unanimously recommended to the church that they continue with the ordination. The candidate was commended for his deportment and his direct clear answers to all questions. The candidate is a former member of the Berea Baptist Church.

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Rev. John E. Greening

After six and a half years of ministry with the First Baptist Church of Bowling Green, Pastor and Mrs. John E. Greening began on October 8 their service with the Community Baptist Church in Deerfield, Illinois.

During the ministry of the Greenings at Bowling Green, God has given spiritual rewards. Awana and Proteens were begun among the young people; the church's first missionary, Phyllis Bancroft, went to Liberia with Baptist Mid-Missions; many thousands of dollars were raised toward the heavy building indebtedness; John R. Greening, son of the Greenings spent a year of internship with his father; a church paper, THE BELL,

"If we would stop supporting everything under the sun in the name of missions, maybe we could do something substantial for the missionaries we invite to minister in our churches."

As my mind turns to the conversation with this concerned brother, I keep thinking of the terminology he used, "supporting everything under the sun." Just what did he mean? Are churches, and in particular Baptist churches, guilty of supporting projects and programs that may be questionable as far as fitting into the category of missions? From what I personally see and hear, I'm afraid that this is too often the case. Bus programs, church radio and television ministries, school programs, church construction and maintenance, camps, etc., are just a few of the outlets for funds given for the work of missions.

It is not the purpose of this writing to categorize the programs which I think represent missions. I simply want to point out that there seems to be a trend developing in churches which is spreading mission-designated funds increasingly thin. Present-day activities in the churches demand enormous amounts of funds.

Sad to say, it seems the source for those monies is usually the missions fund. Reasons to do this are many. Rationalization perhaps is the greatest excuse used to dip into funds designated for missions and to use them for other ministries.

However, there is also another angle from which to view this same problem. It, too, is a very important reason for the lack of funds for present-day missions. Again, I would refer you to my telephone caller and his pointed comment, "supporting everything under the sun."

Dr. Joseph Stowell, National Representative of the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, wrote of this problem in an article which appeared in the OHIO INDEPENDENT BAPTIST. In his writing, Dr. Stowell strongly supported the importance of Baptist churches' missions funds for Baptist missions. Dr. Stowell definitely touches upon the heart of this very realistic problem: that is, funneling funds from fundamental Baptist churches to missionaries and agencies which really do not reproduce on the mission field what we as Baptists believe and practice here at home. This problem in Baptist churches, of diverting funds designated for Baptist missions into other ministries, is devastating to Baptist missions.

Now I realize that I may be stepping on toes in writing this article, but sometimes it takes some toe stepping to awaken us as to where we are and what we are doing. I am confident that there are sufficient funds for all separatist Baptist missionaries and missions projects within the circle of separatist Baptist churches.

Fellow Baptists, let us arise to meet this tremendous challenge of supporting our own Baptist missionaries and agencies. The place for them to find their prayer and financial support is not from non-Baptist sources, but from within their own Baptist family.

Introducing Our Missions' Leader



Rev. Arthur B. Cunningham

Editor's Note: To acquaint our readers with the men whom God has raised up to direct the G.A.R.B.C. approved mission agencies, OIB has been carrying a resume on one of the leaders each month. We believe this information will be of interest to you in this special series on missions.

Rev. Arthur B. Cunningham, Executive Director of HIAWATHA BAPTIST MISSIONS, was born in Hastings, Michigan. Brother Cunningham graduated from Moody Bible Institute and received his Bachelor of Religious Education degree from Grand Rapids Baptist College.

Rev. and Mrs. Cunningham began their ministry with Rural Bible Missions, serving with that mission for six years. His

was begun; Bible Bells was broadcast over WFOB; the church also acquired a bus and van.

Pastor John Greening has always taken a strong stand as a Fundamental Bible preacher. These last two years he has served as Chairman of the North Bethel Regular Baptist Fellowship.

John and Iva Greening are now going as Missionaries with Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions to the Church in Deerfield, Illinois. They will be missed by our OARBC fellowship. Let us pray for them as they undertake this missionary endeavor!

previous pastorates were: Dover Baptist Church, Clare, Michigan; Bible Baptist Church, Marlette, Mich.; White Lake Baptist Church, Montague, Mich.; and Maplelawn Baptist Church, Wyoming, Mich.

He served as Chairman of the HBM Council for four years, and for ten years was on the board of the Regular Baptist Children's Agency of St. Louis, Michigan. He has held positions on the Youth, Camp and Sunday School Committees of the Grand Rapids Association of Regular Baptist Churches and served as their Moderator from 1965-67.

The Cunninghams have three children: Mark who is married and has two children; Steven who is attending the Grand Valley College in Allendale, Michigan; and Marsha who is married and has one child.

Baptist Bible College Of Clarks Summit News

PARENTS' DAY

Baptist Bible College held their third annual Parents' Day on October 14. Events of the day included a faculty-parent reception, a varsity soccer game with Philadelphia College of the Bible, a buffet dinner, a program entitled "We Never Really Say Goodbye," and a concert by violinist Earl Carlyss.

Reigning over the day's activities were: Mindi Emert, Clarks Summit, Pa.; Sue Kempf, Fremont, Mich.; Debbie Stuenzi, Sandwich, Ill.; Jan Schoonover, Coming, N. Y.; and Tina Zwald, McKean, Pa., all juniors, Tina Anderson, Springfield, Pa., a sophomore, and Rhonda Ridgeway, Wabash, Ind., freshman.

WINTER CONFERENCE AND ALUMNI WEEK

The annual Winter Bible Conference and Alumni Week will be held January 8-12. Featured speakers include: Rev. Cass Santos, Bible Baptist Church, Shiremanstown, Pa.; Rev. Joseph Stowell III, Bible Baptist Church, Kokomo, Ind., and Dr. Paul Tassell, Grandview Park Baptist Church, Des Moines, Iowa.

Heart to Heart Among the Women

—Mrs. Earl Umbaugh — Women's Editor—

How Do You Say — Thank You?

How do you say thank you for 15 years of-----?
For all the love shown us, for all the prayers that have ascended up to the Lord on our behalf. For all the provisions you have made for us?
We just say thank YOU, and thank you, LORD!

How do you say thank you for all the homes that have been open to us on your farms, in your cities and in your villages?
We just say thank YOU, and thank you, LORD!

How do you say thank you for all the opportunities to minister in your pulpits, in your Sunday Schools, in your youth meetings, in your Women's Missionary Unions, in your Vacation Bible Schools, at your Retreats, your Camps, in your kitchens and at your Banquets?

We just say thank YOU, and thank you, LORD!

How do you say thank you for all your giving of your monies, of quilts, linens, flat ware, clothing, pillows, place mats, of nick-nacks, of aprons, napkins, paper goods, cosmetics, tupperware, etc. as we have raided your Missionary cupboards.
We just say thank YOU, and thank you, LORD!

How do you say thank you for all the rides in your cars, on your busses, trains, planes and especially that 1973 DODGE?

We just say thank YOU, and thank you, LORD!

How do you say thank you for all your love, concern, rebukes, criticisms, praises and encouragements?

We just say thank YOU, and thank you, LORD!

How do you say thank you for allowing us to share in your special days, weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, funerals of dear ones, recognition services, ordinations, graduations, ground breakings, mortgage burnings, dedications, Special conferences, Revival meetings, Missionary conferences, rally days, etc?

We just say thank YOU, and thank you, LORD!

Now, as we cease as your State Missionaries in Ohio can we still say Thank You for your prayers, your Love and your concern for us? I KNOW WE CAN!

... (signed) Mrs. Earl D. Umbaugh

Ladies — A Word From Editor Moffat



Since copy for our Women's Page for this issue (November) had to be in our hands by October 1, it was prepared by our outgoing Women's Page editor - Mrs. Earl D. Umbaugh. We do appreciate her doing this for us. We have stated before and wish to declare again that we greatly appreciate her faithfulness in serving as editor of the Women's Page. We have asked her to keep us informed concerning herself and Earl in the days ahead. They are moving to Florida. Their home address is: Rev. and Mrs. Earl D. Umbaugh, 780 Conway Blvd. South, Port Charlotte, Florida - 33952. Write to them. We are confident they would like hearing from you. One more time - THANK YOU, SERGIE, VERY MUCH!!

Beginning with our next issue (December), the copy will be prepared by our new Women's Page editor - Mrs. David (Marcia) Elmore. Her home address is as follows: Mrs. Marcia Elmore, 715 Poplar Street, Coshocton, Ohio - 43812. We urge the ladies of our state to faithfully send her copy of what is going on in their respective fellowships. Please get all copy to her as soon following your meetings as is possible. Her deadline in getting copy to me (Don Moffat/Editor) is the first week of the month prior to printing. For example - copy to appear in our December issue should be in my hands no later than the first week of November. Let us remember to pray for Marcia as she undertakes this new work. We are confident she, too, will do an excellent job!

Canton Area

The Women's Missionary Fellowship of the Canton area churches met on October 24th in the Whipple Avenue Baptist Church of Canton, Ohio. They completed their project of purchasing a ditto machine and a folding screen for missionaries in Venezuela. Their goal had been \$900.

Guest speaker was Laurine Gullette of Baptist Mid-Missions. She told of her work of teaching missionaries' children and serving as a nurse in the land of Brazil.

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Ladies - Mark Your Calendars

KEEP IN MIND these dates - MARCH 29, 30 in 1979. These are the dates of our MOHICAN SPRING RETREAT!

Chairman for this RETREAT is - Mrs. M. L. Starett, 41464 Oberlin Road, Elyria. Registrar is - Mrs. Marilyn Loper, 40998 Butternut Ridge, Elyria, Ohio - 44035. Phone: (216) 458-5114.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. Virginia Latham of Chicago, Illinois.

Schedule For Skyview Ranch

November 10 and 11 is the weekend for FATHERS & SONS. Cost is \$13 per adult and \$12 per child. The weekends of December 1 and 2 - January 5 and 6 - March 2 and 3 are marked for TEENS. The cost being \$13 per person. JUNIORS will have March 9 and 10 as their weekend. The cost is \$13 per person. These all sound exciting and we urge everyone to take part!

For each weekend, registration is on Friday (7 to 9 p.m.). The activities start at 9:00 p.m. There will be a snack on Friday nights and three meals on Saturday. There will be no extra fee for the use of horses.

To register, send \$5 each to: SKYVIEW RANCH, Route 6 - Box 115, Millersburg, Ohio - 44654. Phone: (216) 674-7511.

Just this added word. . . MEN'S RETREAT will be held next year (1979) May 17, 18, 19. The first meal will be served at noon on Thursday. Also, SAVING STAMP BOOKS will be available on November 1, 1978. It is a good idea to get your youth off to a good start for '79 by having them use SKYVIEW'S SAVING STAMP program.

Your Outgoing Editor Speaks

I am not a very emotional person. That is I do not make an outward show, however, inside I have deep feelings. I do really appreciate these past 15 years and have very mixed feelings about ceasing this phase of our lives. But as Paul relates in Acts 16:6-9 - He was conscious of the Holy Spirits leading so we thank God for this wonderful part of the Christian life. When He says stay, we stay, when He says wait, we wait and when He says go we can but obey.

MRS. MARCIA ELMORE, 715 Poplar Street, Coshocton, Ohio - 43821 will be the new editor of the WOMEN'S PAGE. I trust you, AREA Association Secretaries will give her your full co-operation by sending in at least two months in advance concerning coming events and a report immediately after the facts concerning your meetings.

Let her know of your church Women's activities. Send good clear black and white photos to be used on this YOUR page.

I'll be a subscriber! I'll be anxiously watching to read about you all.

...Sergie Umbaugh

South Bethel

The SOUTH BETHEL WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP met September 19 at Washington Heights Baptist Church in Dayton. The day was a time of blessing as thoughts were centered on the theme of "Sharing" based on Hebrews 13:16. Mrs. Pricilla Davis gave a timely devotional message on our Christian homes being proper examples of Scriptural standards. Mrs. Sandy Entner shared thoughts on how Christian women could share their homes.

Penny Saunders gave a report and showed slides on a recent short term of missionary service in the Philippines as a nurse. Supplying the needs for the Dave and Grace Kintner home in Brazil is the present project. Officers elected were: Vice President - Mrs. Joan Cole, Grace Baptist, Cedarville; Secretary - Mrs. Maxine Hague, Washington Heights Baptist, Dayton; Treasurer - Mrs. Ruth Agar, Grace Baptist, Cedarville. The president is Mrs. Grace Jackson, Grace Baptist, Cedarville. The afternoon meeting ended with a very humorous skit with a very important message on packing a missionary barrel and written by Mrs. Joan Cole given by the ladies from Grace Baptist of Cedarville and entitled, "Goldigrabs and the Three Bares".

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Rev. Martin E. Holmes

Brother Martin E. Holmes has resigned his position as pastor of the Grace Baptist Church in Sunbury, Ohio. He and his wife faithfully served the Sunbury church for some fifteen years. He will be missed!

The Lord has led them to accept a call to pastor the Temple Baptist Church of Ocala, Florida. This is an independent church not affiliated with any Association.

Their new address is: Rev. and Mrs. Martin E. Holmes, 1525 N.E. 17th Ave., Ocala, Florida - 32670.

No Excuses Accepted

(Although church attendance is not a matter to be taken lightly, sometimes humor makes a serious point better than any other method).

We are serving notice that this coming week will be "NO EXCUSE WEEK". There is absolutely no excuse for not being here because we will have:

- 1) A cot in the foyer for those who say Sunday is their only day to sleep late.
- 2) Murine for those with tired eyes from watching TV too late on Saturday night.
- 3) Steel helmets for those who say - "The roof will fall in".
- 4) Blankets for those who think the sanctuary is too cold; Fans for those who think it is too hot.
- 5) Hearing aids for those who can't hear the minister and cotton for those who can.
- 6) Score-cards for counting hypocrites present.

The Sunday School Sails Successfully On The Seven C's

- CONSECRATION** — II Tim. 2:2
No Sunday School will succeed without consecrated leaders. "Everything rises or falls on leadership."
- CONFIDENCE** — Isaiah 55:10-11
A. In the Word of God
B. In the Work of the Sunday School
- CONCERN** — Matthew 9:37, 38
Sunday School is for everybody!
- COMMUNICATION** —
A. Evaluation
B. Information
C. Inspiration
- CONSISTENCY** —
A. In Teaching
B. In Training
- COOPERATION** —
A cooperative calling program.
75% of Sunday School growth comes through contacting absentees.
- CONCENTRATION** —
Work on attaining goals
"If you aim at nothing, you'll hit it every time."

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Retreat Reports

—SCIOTO HILLS - September 7, 8, 9. We enjoyed a delightful late summer drive through the hills of southern Ohio to the camp. The Lord gave us beautiful, warm weather for the three days. Wanda Norris, our chairman, was on hand to greet each of us upon arrival. It was the most relaxed and personal Retreat we had ever attended. For the first time the ladies entered into some real competitive Volley Ball, even a moonlight game, followed by a moonlight swim.

Gary Storm, Scioto Hills Camp director, took us for a moonlight hayride and hymn sing back over the hills of the camp on Thursday night. Friday night we rode the wagon over the hills to a huge bonfire and camp fire service.

The food was truly Gourmet. Nancy Storm and her mother from Wisconsin prepared it. The ladies requested the following luncheon Casserole recipe.

TATER-TOT CASSEROLE

- 2 lb. hamburger
- 1 small onion, diced
- 1 piece celery, diced
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 can cream of celery soup
- 1 can water
- 1 can milk
- 1 box tater tots
- 2 boxes frozen french style gr. beans

Brown hamburger, onions and celery together. Cook green beans and drain. Mix soups, water and milk together; add browned meat mixture and cooked green beans. Toss together into a 13 x 9 baking dish. Top with frozen tater tots and bake in 350 degree oven until tater tots are brown. (about one hour)

Mrs. Fred Hussey, Cleveland, Ohio gave the Bible Studies on the Parables. Mrs. Earl Umbaugh was our Missionary speaker. Mrs. Max Sitter was our capable song leader, arranging and participating in lovely special music.

Mrs. Sandy Mays volunteered to be the Retreat chairman for 1979. Please consider Scioto Hills Retreat next year.

—PATMOS RETREAT - September 14, 15 and 16. Greeting Ladies! I am happy to report that 110 ladies sent in registrations to Jean Phillips from Maranatha Baptist to attend the 3rd Camp Patmos Retreat. Ninety-five arrived! Some were at their first retreat and many were seeing our lovely camp on Kelly's Island in Lake Erie for the first time. The boat wasn't making the 3.5 mile trip to the island on Wednesday because of the waves being too high but by Thursday morning the water was more calm so by 2:00 many had arrived. Before the 4:30 boat another rain storm came and we wondered whether the speaker and others would arrive safely. They made it! We thank the Lord that from the beginning of the evening service on to the end we had many blessings.

Our theme was "Women of the Word" and we greatly enjoyed a chorus written by Mrs. William Brock using those words. Linda Yankovitch of Memorial, Columbus led the fine singing. Mrs. Selma Cadarholm, was our Bible teacher. She kept us listening to every word as she

made the life of the Woman at the well and Hannah come alive. She had many stories and illustrations from her life that made us all grow to love her. Mary Lou Mayo of Lorain did two lovely chalk drawings for us each evening with background music of solos, duets accompanied on the organ by Wilma Spillman of Memorial Baptist, the retreat secretary. As usual the ladies enjoyed the "Chew and Chatter" time each evening after the service.

Following the message each morning we went in small groups out on the lawn for blessed times of prayer. Friday afternoon many enjoyed the crafts Patty Conant of Maranatha Baptist had planned for them. There was also bicycling, tours of the island, and speed boat rides and all on a beautiful day. A delicious fried chicken Birthday Banquet to honor each of us was served Friday evening with a table decorated very cleverly for each of the twelve months. The ladies from each month gave a "little something" appropriate for a little program and it all was lots of fun.

A large book store was provided by Bernice Mick from Cedarville. Many went home with purchases. Two book reviews were much appreciated. Martha Shepherd from Memorial gave one on "What happens when Women Pray" by Christenson and Jean Phillips gave "I Came to Love You Late" by Joyce Landorf.

Friday evenings Campfire testimony time was a blessing and Saturday morning about fifty ladies went the short distance to the other side of the Island for a beautiful sunrise and time of singing and testimony and devotions.

Mary Price from Memorial Baptist, Columbus will be our next years retreat Chairman at Patmos and we feel that it will be another time of rich blessing - so make up your mind NOW to go and you will have the year looking forward to it.

... Barbara Williams, 1978 Chairman

—SKYVIEW 1 - September 14, 15, 16. "Fashioned After His Image" was the theme for the Retreat. Mrs. Lucy Wright

and her committee had carefully and prayerfully planned and carried out this theme. Mrs. Marleah Kenoyer, our Bible Teacher, aptly taught us the pattern (MOLD - - Me, Others, Love, Discipline) for being Fashioned after His image. Mrs. Myrna Alexander, our Missionary, won the hearts of the ladies by her homespun, down to earth, presentation of Home Missions.

Friday was a lovely warm day so the horses had a good work out as well as the pool. A beautiful and inspiring Camp Fire was enjoyed before bedtime...

The time of departure was hard for many regretted to leave this "Mountain" Top experience.

—SKYVIEW 2 - September 21, 22, 23. "More for the Master" was the theme of this Retreat. Although the weather turned colder, Mrs. Sally Carr, chairman, and those participating made us all feel warm in our souls. The special music furnished by ladies from Faith Baptist, Defiance and Magadore and Edna Muckley, our song leaders from Grace in Canton was soul inspiring. Mrs. Nancy Jones, made that old piano vibrate with her beautiful numbers.

Myrtle Thompson, BMM, Women's director, was the Missionary speaker. As she shared her testimony of past service and her calling to BMM we praised God with her. Mrs. Marea Smith, Graham Road Baptist Church, gave thought provocative lessons concerning our prayer life.

Time of fellowship led by Mrs. Derwin Hauser, Berea, was exciting and brought us into a close, informal relationship with each other. We really became acquainted in real personal ways. The time of sharing of testimonies was a highlight of blessing.

As usual the food at Skyview was great. Although the overall attendance was down most felt that the closeness of really getting acquainted was a blessing that could not have been known otherwise.

Mrs. David Truit, Millersburg, supplied us with fascinating crafts.



There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood

A Troubled Poet Prays for His Soul

William Cowper suffered all of his 69 years. Due to a weak constitution, he suffered physically. Due to uncontrollable melancholia, he suffered mentally. He believed that God had doomed his soul beyond redemption. This belief drove him to attempts at suicide and he was committed to insane asylums four times. He had studied law but could not plead cases because of stage fright, and his speech was impaired by lisping and stammering. Yet, when he had control of his faculties, William Cowper produced poetry that placed him among the foremost of England's literary giants.

The world can thank, among others, the Reverend John Newton... one-time sailor and slave trader... for bringing out the best in Cowper. While Curate at the town of Olney, Newton gave the poet a home and put

him to work. He built him a house in a garden back of his residence where the strange little man played with rabbits and talked with birds. He encouraged and collaborated with him in writing hymns for weekly prayer meetings. Thus came into being the famous collection of "Olney Hymns" ... among which is found some of the finest work in English literature.

During the early part of the last century Composer Lowell Mason... who spent his youth as a bank clerk in Savannah... cast about for poems to set to music for his Boston choirs. Among his selection was William Cowper's "There is a Fountain Filled With Blood." The little poet had died, still praying for his soul in 1800. But he had written hymns that were to carry his name through the ages... among them being --

There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, tho' vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die.

Then in a nobler, sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save,
When this poor, lisping, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave.



Your Editor's Schedule

November 5-10
Pine Hills Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio

November 12-17
Grace Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio

November 19-22
Pleasant Hills Baptist Church, Smithville, Ohio

November 26-December 3
Grace Baptist Church, Troy, Ohio

December 10-13
Cornerstone Baptist Church, Bellefontaine, Oh.

December 17-22
OPEN DATES (as of this writing)

December 30-31
Faith Baptist Church, Streetsboro, Ohio

North Royalton Baptist Church Celebrates Sesquicentennial

Accepts Call To Orange Village Church

The North Royalton Baptist Church will be 150 years old this December 6. The church was founded in 1828.

The Baptist church will commemorate its Sesquicentennial throughout the month of November. The Pastor, Rev. M. A. Werbeach, will preach from the original Articles of Faith during the Sunday morning services. On the last Sunday of November the Assistant Pastor, Stephen Parelli, will preach on the importance of the Church Covenant. On the following Saturday evening, Dec. 2 - the eve of our designated day of celebration, the church will hold an old fashion Church Covenant Meeting. Rev. Walter Spieth, a former Pastor of N. R. Baptist Church and present Pastor of Beth-el Baptist Church of Elyria, Ohio, will be the guest speaker at the Church Covenant Meeting. He will be preaching on "The Church Covenant".

Sunday, December 3, will heighten our commemoration with the presence of former Pastors. Rev. John Hes, Rev. Melvin Keeler, and Rev. Kenneth Nelson will conclude the series begun by the Pastor on the original Articles of Faith. Rev. Walter Spieth will also be present. The Lord's Table will be observed as part of the morning worship service.

Also, planned for Sunday, December 3, is a dinner for the church family, a presentation from the Senior Citizens of the church, and recognition of the former Pastors. Those attending the Sunday morning worship service will be dressed in old fashioned dress.

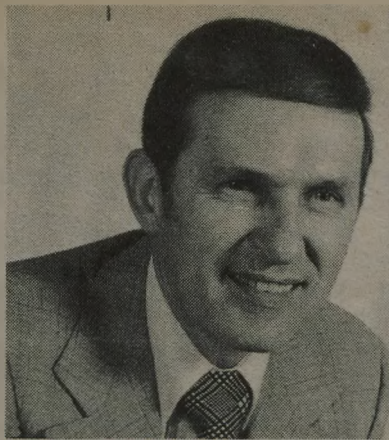
The theme of the sesquicentennial is taken from Proverbs 22:28, "Remove not the ancient landmark which thy fathers have set."

Medway Church Duly Recognized

A Recognition Council was held on August 29, 1978 to examine the propriety of recognizing the Colonial Baptist Church of Medway, Ohio. There were eleven pastors and seven messengers who responded to the letter of invitation that had been sent.

Brother Earl Umbaugh was elected temporary moderator and Pastor Robert G. Perry was elected as temporary clerk of the council.

The history of the church was read by the clerk of the church. A careful examination was made of the church's covenant and doctrinal statement. Following these the constitution was reviewed. After a period of questioning, a motion was presented that the Colonial Baptist Church of Medway, Ohio be recognized as a duly organized regular, independent Baptist church. Support for the motion was given and carried.



Rev. John Fleck

After serving for 22 years as Pastor of Mt. Calvary Church, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, Pastor John Fleck has accepted a call to become Pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, 27250 Emery Road, Orange Village, Ohio 44128, beginning September 1, 1978. Previously he had served as Pastor of the Monongah Baptist Church, Monongah, West Virginia for eight years from 1939 - 1947, Bethel Baptist Church, Warren, Ohio, for 9½ years from 1947 - 1956. Both of these churches are presently members of the G.A.R.B.C. Pastor Fleck led the Monongah Baptist Church out of the Northern Baptist Convention and reorganized Bethel Baptist Church into an Independent Baptist Church, formerly known as Bethel Chapel.

Pastor Fleck was converted at 20 years of age on December 14, 1936. At the time he was playing trumpet in a dance band in New Castle, Pennsylvania. His life was completely changed - 2 Corinthians 5:17. Six weeks later he enrolled as a student at the Practical Bible Training School in Binghamton, New York, graduating in the class of 1939. He met his wife Eloise there. John and Eloise have three children - Janet Krueger, wife of Rev. Donald Krueger, Minister of Music at Blackhawk Baptist Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana. J. Roland Fleck, formerly a teacher at Cedarville College, and now on the faculty of the Rosemeade Graduate School of Professional Psychology, Los Angeles, California. Marty Fleck, Minister of Youth and Music, Faith Baptist Church, Amherst, Ohio. John and Eloise are in their 40th year of ministry for the Lord, residing at 27300 Emery Road, Orange Village, Ohio 44128.

Pastor Fleck served as President of the Alumni Association of P.B.T.S. for nine years, and engages in a Bible Conference ministry from time to time. He majors in a Bible expository teaching ministry.

Editor's Note: It has been your editor's privilege to hold special meetings for Brother Fleck. We greatly appreciated the warmth and the friendliness of this dear brother and his wife. We are happy to see them in Ohio and now a part of our OARBC fellowship. We are confident they will have a fruitful ministry at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Orange Village!

A Brief Review On Ben Kendrick's Book "Buried Alive For Christ"

EDITOR'S NOTE: It is always refreshing to see manuscripts published which are written by those in our Regular Baptist family. Brother V. Ben Kendrick has recently produced his first book and it is a pleasure and privilege for me to write the following concerning his work:

BURIED ALIVE FOR CHRIST is a book of missionary short stories given to us from the mission field background of V. Ben Kendrick, veteran missionary of 29 years with Baptist Mid-Missions. Dr. Allan E. Lewis, President of Baptist Mid-Missions, in writing the Foreward says:

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Rev. Darrell R. Bice, Editor of Sunday School papers at Regular Baptist Press, writes the following in his Introduction of the book:

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